Issue of Health Certificate.

174. *MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether there is an idea of appointing any medical officer to issue health certificates to candidates selected by the Public Service Commisioner for appointments;

(*b*) who the medical officer is who has been nominated or recommended for the purpose;

(*c*) who nominated or recommended the medical officer; and

(*d*) the basis under which the said nomination or recommendation was made?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) In cases falling within Rules 38 (4) and 46 of the Public Service Recruitment Rules, medical officers have been appointed to report to the Public Service Commissioner as to the health of candidates for recruitment. In other cases Rule 12 leaves to the discretion of the appointing authorities the mode in which they ascertain the health of candidates recruited.

(*b*) The medical officers are doctors, not being below the rank of Deputy Surgeon, in charge of, or deputed by the medical officer in charge of the General Hospital, Trivandrum, and each District Hospital in the State.

(*c*) & (*d*) In view of the answer to part (*b*) above, these do not arise.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know how many medical officers have been appointed for examining the candidates for recruitment?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Public Service Commissioner will indent upon the services of as many medical officers as are necessary to examine the candidates. There is no fixed number.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know how the medical officers are to be selected?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, it is stated in the answer-

> "The medical officers are doctors, not being below the rank of Deputy Surgeon in charge of, or deputed by the medical officer in charge of the General Hospital, Trivandrum, and each District Hospital in the State."

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Are the candidates levied any fees for the examination?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, Sir.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Are the medical officers given any special allowance for the purpose?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No, Sir.

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